

MISSOURI CAPITOL POLICE ADVISOR

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Gubernatorial Inauguration 2009

On January 12, 2009, Governor Jeremiah W. "Jay" Nixon was sworn in as Missouri's 55th Governor. The Missouri Capitol Police would like to thank everyone for their cooperation with the security planning and implementation covering the events. Capitol Police would also like to recognize the many agencies that helped make this day a success: Missouri Department of Public Safety, Missouri State Highway Patrol, Missouri State Water Patrol, Missouri State Fire Marshall's Office, Missouri State Park Rangers, Jefferson City Police Department, Cole County Sheriff's Department, the Army National Guard, and the Office of Administration, Division of Facilities Management, Design and Construction.

Hit and Run

On January 16, 2009, a hit and run accident occurred at the Department of Mental Health Parking Lot. A black Ford Explorer Sports Trac was struck in the tailgate. If you have any information, please contact Capitol Police at 522-2222. If you would like to leave an anonymous tip, you can call our tip line (573-634-3691) and leave a message after the recording.

Suspicious Person

On January 9, 2009, Capitol Police responded to a call of a suspicious male hiding some bushes near the old Missouri State Penitentiary site. Upon arrival, officers first observed a male subject with a rifle. Further investigation found that the subject was a juvenile with an air rifle playing in the woods. The subject was escorted back to his residence and turned over to his parents.

Public Notice

Missouri Capitol Police is scheduled for an on-site assessment as part of a program to achieve accreditation by verifying it meets professional standards. The on-site assessment will be held in mid-March.

Administered by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA®), the accreditation program requires agencies to comply with state-of-the-art standards in four basic areas: policy and procedures, management, operations, and support services.

As part of the on-site assessment, members of the community and representatives of other agencies are invited to phone in comments to the assessor. The dates and timeframe for this phone session will be posted in our March Advisor. A Media Release will also be available on our website sometime during late February 2009 and will contain more detailed information.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about Missouri Capitol Police's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), 10302 Eaton Place, Suite 100, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030-2215 or www.calea.org.